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June 30, 2015

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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PATRICK **Q**ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER

GRANT OF EASEMENT
FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT
PECK ROAD WATER CONSERVATION PARK PARCELS 1GE AND 2GE
IN THE CITY OF MONROVIA
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)
(3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

This action will allow the Los Angeles County Flood Control District to grant an easement for fiberoptic conduit purposes within Peck Road Water Conservation Park, in the City of Monrovia, to the City of Arcadia.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT:

- 1. Find that the City of Arcadia's Fiber Optics to Public Works Services Center Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated in this letter and in the record of the project.
- 2. Find that the grant of easement to the City of Arcadia for fiber-optic conduit purposes and the subsequent use of said easement will not interfere with the use of Peck Road Water Conservation Park Parcels 1GE and 2GE for any purposes of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District.
- 3. Approve the grant of easement for fiber-optic conduit purposes within Peck Road Water Conservation Park Parcels 1GE and 2GE, in the City of Monrovia, from the Los Angeles County Flood Control District to the City of Arcadia for \$4,300.

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4. Delegate authority to the Chief Engineer of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District or her designee to sign the Easement document and authorize delivery to the City of Arcadia.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to obtain approval from the Board, acting as the governing body of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD), to grant an easement for fiber-optic conduit purposes within Peck Road Water Conservation Park Parcels 1GE and 2GE, in the City of Monrovia, to the City of Arcadia (City). The City requested this easement in connection with its fiber-optic conduit project that will connect its Public Works Services Department to its City Hall for information services.

<u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1). This transaction allows the City to install and upgrade to the latest technology to improve communication efficiency and reliability, thereby improving the quality of life for residents of the County of Los Angeles. The revenue received from this transaction will help promote fiscal sustainability for the operation and maintenance of flood control facilities.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The cost of the easement is \$4,300, which represents the fair market value. The amount will be paid by the City and deposited into the Flood Control District Fund.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Peck Road Water Conservation Park Parcels 1GE and 2GE are located westerly of Peck Road and easterly of Santa Anita Wash in the City of Monrovia.

The grant of easement is authorized by Section 2, subsection 13, of the Los Angeles County Flood Control Act. This Section provides as follows: "The Los Angeles County Flood Control District is hereby declared to be a body corporate and politic, and has all the following powers...13. To lease, sell or dispose of any property (or any interest therein) whenever in the judgment of the board of supervisors of the property, or any interest therein or part thereof, is no longer required for the purposes of the district..."

The grant of easement is not considered adverse to the LACFCD's purposes and will not hinder the use of Peck Road Water Conservation Park for possible transportation, utility, recreational corridors, or flood control purposes. Moreover, the Easement document will reserve paramount rights for the LACFCD's purposes.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The City's Fiber Optics to Public Works Services Center Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Section 15301(b) of the CEQA Guidelines, and Class 1(e) of the Environmental Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by the Board. This exemption provides for the minor alteration of an existing facility involving negligible expansion of use. The City is the lead agency for this project, and a Notice of Exemption was prepared by the City and will be filed with the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles, in accordance with Section 15062 of the CEQA Guidelines.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no impact on current services or projects.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Survey/Mapping & Property Management Division.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director

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